

**MINUTES
OF
MEETING OF THE COMMONWEALTH TRANSPORTATION BOARD**

Hotel Roanoke
110 Shenandoah Avenue
Roanoke, Virginia

November 7, 2007

1:00 PM

The meeting of the Commonwealth Transportation Board was held in the Central Office Auditorium of the Virginia Department of Transportation in Richmond, Virginia on November 7, 2007. The Chairman, Secretary Pierce Homer, presided and called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

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Present: Messrs. Bowie, Davies, Davis, Keen, Koelemay, Martin, McCarthy, Schwartz, Sterling, White, Ms. Connally; Vice Chairman Ekern, and Mr. Tucker, ex officio, Director of the Department of Rail and Public Transportation.

Absent: Ms. Carter, Mr. Dickens and Mr. Witt

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Public Comment Period:

Mr. Oliver "Trip" Pollard with the Southern Environmental Law Center addressed the Board regarding Interstate 81 specifically citing the Environmental Impact Statement for the I-81 Project.

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Mr. David Foster with Rail Solution addressed the Board regarding the Interstate 81 Corridor. Mr. Foster passed out a package a copy which is attached hereto.

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Ms. Joyce Waugh with the Roanoke Regional Chamber of Commerce thanked the Board for their presence in Roanoke during the Transportation Conference. Ms. Waugh thanked VDOT staff for the work they do.

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Mr. Rees Shearer from the Rail Solutions addressed the Board regarding the Interstate 81 Corridor.

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Approval of Minutes of Prior Meeting:

Action on Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting October 18, 2007. Copy of approved minutes on file with the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Commissioner's Office and posted on the VDOT Internet website: www.virginiadot.org and the Virginia Regulatory Town Hall.

Moved by Dr. Davis, seconded by Mr. Koelemay.
Motion carried, minutes approved.

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INNOVATIVE FINANCE & REVENUE DIVISION

Agenda Item 1. Action a Resolution Authorizing a Loan from the State Infrastructure Bank to Fluor Virginia, Inc., and Transurban (USA) Development Inc., for the I-95/I-395 Hot Lanes Project.

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Moved by Mr. Bowie, seconded by Mr. Martin.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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DEPARTMENT OF RAIL AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Agenda Item 2. Action on Agreement to Provide Technical Support to the North Carolina Department of Transportation.

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Moved by Dr. Davis, seconded by Mr. McCarthy.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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PROGRAMMING DIVISION

Agenda Item 3. Action on FY08-13 Six-Year Improvement Program Transfers for October 1 through October 31, 2007.

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Moved by Mr. Martin, seconded by Mr. Bowie.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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Agenda Item 4. Addition of Roanoke Bridge Rehabilitation Project to the FY08-13 SYIP.

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Moved by Mr. Martin, seconded by Dr. Davis.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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RIGHT OF WAY AND UTILITIES DIVISION

Agenda Item 5. Action on Land Conveyances specifically,

- (A) Route 621
Wise County
Project Nos.: 0621-097-105, C-501
0621-097-451, C-501

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Moved by Mr. Keen, seconded by Mr. Bowie.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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- (B) Route 650
 Tazewell County
 Project No. 0650-092-017 (old Project 1392-17)

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Moved by Mr. Keen, seconded by Mr. Bowie.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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DEPARTMENT OF RAIL AND PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Agenda Item 6. Action on Rail Industrial Access specifically,

- (A) Matrixx Group Rail
 City of Bedford

Referenced by attachment of resolution and decision brief.
Moved by Mr. Bowie, seconded by Dr. Davis.
Motion carried, resolution approved.

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SCHEDULING & CONTRACT DIVISION

Agenda Item 7: Action on Bids Received:

Page 1 of the attached report, recommending award of order number K89.
Moved by Mr. McCarthy, seconded by Ms. Connally.
Motion carried, bid awarded.

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Page 2 of the attached report, recommending award of order number K88.
Moved by Mr. Keen, seconded by Mr. Davies.
Motion carried, bid awarded.

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Page 3 of the attached report, recommending rejection of order number K61.
Moved by Mr. Bowie, seconded by Mr. McCarthy.
Motion carried, bid rejected.

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NEW BUSINESS

Dr. James Davis cited a proposed draft resolution that he would like the Board to consider regarding the Interstate 81 Corridor at a future Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, December 13, 2007, beginning at 12:00 p.m. in Richmond, Virginia.

Approved:

Chairman

Secretary